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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: ENROLLMENT OF US CITIZENS IN ITALIAN UNIVERSITIES

1. DURING COURSE OF PROTOCOL VISIT JULY 5 BY AMBASSADOR ON MINISTER OF EDUCATION MALFATTI (SEPTTEL), SUBJECT OF GOI FOREIGN STUDENT BAN NATURALLY CAME UP. MINISTER REVIEWED CIRCUMSTANCES LEADING TO DECISION, NOTED THAT THERE WAS NO INTENTION DISCRIMINATE AGAINST A NY ONE COUNTRY-- AND CERTAINLY NOT US, SINCE RELATIVELY FEW AMERICAN STUDENTS INVOLVED. AMBASSADOR TOOK OCCASION TO REMIND MINISTER OF PARTICULAR HARDSHIPS THIS SURPRISE ANNOUNCEMENT CAUSED TO STUDENTS WHO HAD ALREADY MADE COMMITMENT FOR ITALIAN STUDY THROUGH ITALO-AMERICAN MEDICAL EDUCATION FOUNDATION, AND THAT FIRST PLANELOAD THIS GROUP ARRIVED IN ITALY OVER WEEKEND. MALFATTI INDICATED HIS HOPEFULNESS THAT SOME KIND OF SOLUTION COULD BE FOUND TO EASE THEIR PREDICAMENT, POSSIBLY BY SOMEHOW ALLOWING EXCEPTIONS TO COVER ALSO STUDENTS COMING TO ITALY UNDER PRIVATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS. HE WAS (PERHAPS NECESSARILY) VAGUE ON THIS POINT, NOTED THAT PROBLEM BEING DISCUSSED WITHIN GOI CURRENTLY, AND THAT PERHAPS MORE COULD BE KNOWN WITHIN A FEW DAYS.

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2. MEANWHILE, PRESS OVER WEEKEND CARRIED NUMEROUS STORIES REPORTING CRITICISM OF GOI FROM VARIOUS QUARTERS, WITH PRESS COMMENTARY GENERALLY SIDING WITH CRITICISM. GARDNER

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